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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted for U.S. Patent Application No. 09/831,272, a Request for Continued Examination of which has already been filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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